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SIGN-UP BEGINS FOR PROGRAM TO ALLOW INDIANA EDUCATORS BEHIND THE SCENES OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH

"From the Inside Out: How Indiana's Courts Work" is a ten day program designed to familiarize Indiana teachers and administrators with the daily operation of the state's courts. It is a hands-on workshop that will provide resources for educators to use when they return to their classroom or school.

Participating teachers will visit trial and appellate courts, talk with judges and attorneys, and conduct research in the Indiana Law Library. The program begins Monday, June 14th and concludes with the teachers participating in a mock oral argument in the Supreme Court Courtroom.



2009 teacher participants act as lawyers in a mock oral argument in the Indiana Supreme Court Courtroom.

The workshop was developed by the Indiana Supreme Court in partnership with the Indiana Bar Foundation. It is offered through the Indiana University School of Education-IUPUI "Summer in the City" program. It is a three credit graduate level course. Professional Growth Points are also available. The Court provides a \$200 stipend to the first 24 registrants. Teachers are invited to sign up for the workshop at <http://education.iupui.edu/opd/sitc/> or by calling 317-274-6801.

This is the third year for the program. For a look into last year's workshop, visit <http://www.in.gov/judiciary/video/city2009/index.html> to watch a 12 minute video featuring past participants.

Courts in the Classroom develops educational programming on behalf of the Indiana Supreme Court. Teachers interested in learning more about Courts in the Classroom will find information available online at courts.in.gov/citc. To learn more about future interactive learning events, including how to attend a program, please contact Dr. Elizabeth R. Osborn at eosborn@courts.state.in.us or 317-232-2550.

Media are invited to attend the program including covering the mock oral arguments tentatively scheduled for the morning of Wednesday June 23rd. Please contact Supreme Court Public Information Officer Kathryn Dolan at kdolan@courts.state.in.us to make arrangements.